

# **FACILITATING REALTIME INFORMATION INTEREXCHANGE BETWEEN A TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK AND A SERVICE PROVIDER**

## **ABSTRACT**

A method and apparatus for providing realtime information between a mobile station and at least one fixed station utilizing a business to business (B2B) engine. A subscriber utilizing a mobile station (MS) may send a request to a B2B engine to find a nearby fixed station, i.e., a restaurant. A reservation management company i.e., a service provider, interconnected with the B2B engine, may provide a reservation application to member restaurants and a restaurant module for integration with the B2B engine. The B2B engine provides an exchange point for passing realtime information between the restaurant and the mobile station. The restaurant module and the B2B engine communicate with the reservation application to automatically place and manage reservations according to an estimated time of arrival for the mobile station subscriber. Any adjustments may be made prior to arrival and all procedures may be done automatically without human intervention.